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ITEM 1. Proposed Project

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The third area frequented by OHV riders is the upper Rumsey Canyon along County Roads 40 and 41 and the Blue Ridge Mountain area, along the north western area of the county. This area is both rugged and remote. There are numerous fire trails, which are only accessible by OHV or on foot.

Finally, one of the areas unlawful OHV use has been a problem in Yolo County is on the city streets of the small towns and county roads around small farming communities. People, adults and children have been contacted riding unlawfully on the roadway, either going to and from a riding destination or joy riding on the roadway in front of their residences.

Currently there are not enough resources within the Yolo County Sheriff's Department to fully address these problems. The Yolo County Sheriff's Department intends to work in cooperation with other departments within the county such as the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Department Planning and Resource Department, and The Department of Public Works and Roads Department to help develop long term solutions to these issues.

To help augment current enforcement efforts, the Yolo County Sheriff's Department is seeking grant funding through the Off Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program. Funds from this program will help the Yolo County Sheriff's Department to purchase equipment, provide specific training and resources needed to help establish an "Off Highway Enforcement Team." This will help us better serve both land owners affected by illegal activity and OHV riders.

ITEM 2. Project Coverage

The County of Yolo is approximately 1021square miles in size. It has a variety of rural areas and urban communities within its boundaries.

There are four main areas of concern, where use of off highway vehicles are problematic. The first location is a 2,000 acre area of primarily private property along Cache Creek. This area begins at County Road 94b and extends west to County Road 85. People access the creekbed from several different areas and ride off highway vehicles. This area is both rugged and rural. It can not be accessed by traditional patrol vehicles.

The second location is an area about 800 acres in size. It is located in the Cache Creek "overflow" basin, where County Road 103 crosses Cache Creek. This area is owned by the San Water District and leased to the Fish and Game for hunting. It is closed to unauthorized vehicular traffic. This is also a popular area for people to go and play paint ball wars.

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ITEM 3. Describe the frequency of the patrols

The Yolo County Sheriff's Department currently responds to OHV problems on a complaint basis and does not have the resources to dedicate Law Enforcement personnel to perform regular or frequent patrols in these areas.

It is the intent of the Yolo County Sheriff's Department to utilize the special equipment supplied by this grant and personnel partially funded by this program to increase patrols to these remote areas of the county.

The goal of this department is to utilize funds available for this project to focus patrols and resources where they will have the greatest exposure to OHV riders. With proper funding it will be possible to assign a team of deputies and a supervisor to perform daily patrols on a seasonal basis, three days a week and on select holidays.

In addition to regular patrol, deputies assigned to this program would attend special events and functions such as career development presentations and safety demonstrations within the community.

ITEM 4. Deployment of Personnel

The Yolo County Sheriff's Department intends to employ two deputies and one part time supervisor, each for this project during the first season. Beyond that it will also employ a team of volunteers to help with education at community events and handing out safety education material at schools.

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1. Identify areas with high priority law enforcement needs because of public safety, cultural resources, and sensitive environmental habitats, including wilderness areas and areas of critical environmental concerns:

Yolo County has a mixture of rural and urban environments within its boundaries. It is also located in close proximity to the City of Sacramento and San Francisco bay area. People are attracted to the open spaces of Yolo County seeking an outlet for recreation. Most of the open spaces, where OHV riders frequent are owned by private parties and not intended to be open for public access. People have vandalized farm equipment, gates, fencing and signs to gain access to these areas. Once in the area, OHV riders have vandalized property, added to erosion on levees and around bridge footings. They have also damaged environmental habitats and private property. Conflicts between OHV riders and others seeking recreation has created the potential for public safety hazard. People target shoot and hunt in the same area as people riding off road vehicles. This combination is hazardous and puts people in danger. Unrestricted, uncontrolled use of trails put people at risk of collision and pose a danger as well.

2. Describe how the proposed Project relates to OHV Recreation and will sustain OHV Recreation, motorized off-highway access to non-motorized recreation, or OHV Opportunities associated with the Project Area:

Providing the resources needed along with a balance of education and enforcement to address this problem will help protect private property and sensitive habitat. It will reduce damage and vandalism done by illegal OHV operators. This in turn will help improve the public outlook regarding OHV use in general. Directing OHV riders toward legal riding opportunities will allow people to continue to use their off highway vehicles without problems or conflict, helping to improve their recreational experience.

3. Describe the Applicant's formal or informal cooperation with other law enforcement agencies:

The Yolo County Sheriff's Department cooperates with many other departments and agencies on a variety of issues. For Example; the Yolo County Sheriff's Department worked closely with the Sutter County Sheriff's Department, a neighboring law enforcement agency to review a training program that their department was developing for OHV operation. Members of this department have also worked with members of the California Highway Patrol and the State Department of Parks and Recreation to help research potential solutions to problems related to OHV use. Furthermore, this department has established a local community forum and outreach program in which its members host community meetings, along with members of the CHP, where citizen concerns or comments are heard.

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4. Does the Applicant recover a portion of the law enforcement costs directly associated with privately sponsored OHV events where sponsors have obtained a local permit? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

Explain

There are no sanctioned OHV events which the Yolo County Sheriff Department receives funds from.

5. The Applicant agrees to implement a public education program that includes information on safety programs available in the area and how to report OHV violations? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(Please select Yes or No)

6. Describe the Applicant's OHV law enforcement training program including how the training program educates personnel to address OHV safety and natural and cultural resource protection:

The Yolo County Sheriff's Department will implement a formal in service training program for its patrol personnel to help educate the line staff deputy about OHV related violations and how to appropriately deal with those problems. This department will also send assigned OHV enforcement to available training courses specific to OHV operation and enforcement. Members of the OHV enforcement team will attend community events within the community and hand out educational material regarding OHV laws of operation and appropriate uses within the county. They will also be on hand to answer questions from the public regarding OHV use.

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7. Is the proposed project in accordance with local or federal plans and the OHMVR Division Strategic Plan? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
8. LOCAL AGENCIES ONLY - Describe the Applicant's policies and/or agreements regarding enforcement on federal land:
Not applicable.
9. COUNTIES ONLY - Describe how the OHV in-lieu of tax funds are being used and whether the use of these fees complements the Applicant's project:
Yolo County currently receives OHV in-lieu tax funds. Those funds are presently being held in an account and may be allocated to the Sheriff's department to be used toward this project. Steps are being taken to insure funds are made available to the Sheriff's department to promote this project.

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10. APPLICANTS WHO MANAGE OHV RECREATION FACILITIES – Describe how your organization is meeting its operation and maintenance needs:
Not Applicable.
11. The Applicant agrees to enforce the registration of OHVs and the other provision of Division 16.5 commencing with Section 38000 of the vehicle code and to enforce other applicable laws regarding the operation of OHVs? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No

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 Agency: Yolo County Sheriff's Department
 Application: Law Enforcement

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APPLICANT NAME :	Yolo County Sheriff's Department		
PROJECT TITLE :	Law Enforcement	PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :	
PROJECT TYPE :	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration		
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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
1	Staff						
	Law Enforcement Officers	1000.000	43.320	HRS	32,490.00	10,830.00	43,320.00
2	Contracts						
3	Materials / Supplies						
	Safety Equipment	1.000	1300.000	EA	975.00	325.00	1,300.00
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	Emergency Medical Supplies	4.000	100.000	EA	300.00	100.00	400.00
	Other-Small Tools and Supplies	1.000	500.000	EA	375.00	125.00	500.00
	Total for Materials / Supplies				2,625.00	875.00	3,500.00
4	Equipment Use Expenses						
	Vehicle Operations and Maintenance	2.000	1500.000	MISC	2,250.00	750.00	3,000.00
5	Equipment Purchases						
	Other-dual sport motorcycle	2.000	6000.000	EA	9,000.00	3,000.00	12,000.00
	Other-Quad Runner	2.000	8000.000	EA	12,000.00	4,000.00	16,000.00
	Total for Equipment Purchases				21,000.00	7,000.00	28,000.00
6	Others						
7	Administrative Costs						
	Administrative Costs-Sergeant	25.000	58.230	HRS	1,092.00	364.00	1,456.00
	Total Program Expenses				59,457.00	19,819.00	79,276.00
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	Line Item	Grant Request	Match	Total	Narrative
DIRECT EXPENSES					
Program Expenses					
1	Staff	32,490.00	10,830.00	43,320.00	<p>The Yolo County Sheriff's Department intends to utilize this funding in the most effecient manner possible. It will train a team of 3 to 6 deputies to participate in the program. Once the team is properly trained regarding the program objective and goals the team members will rotate assignments to fulfill the mission of this project.</p> <p>Deputies will patrol assigned areas in teams of two, during days of the week when they are likely to be most effective. Patrols will be monitored by a supervisor. The supervisor will manage the patrols based on weather and seasonal use to assure the team is operating within the parameters of the grant and operating effeciently</p>
2	Contracts	0.00	0.00	0.00	
3	Materials / Supplies	2,625.00	875.00	3,500.00	<p>Safety Equipment request is intended to include: Helmets, Gloves, Goggles, Eye wear, Boots and other clothing or protective wear, camel packs for liquid replenishment.</p> <p>Emergency Medical Supplies include: first aid kits, other emergency supplies, saddle bags or containers to carry equipment.</p> <p>This item is intended to equip a team of 3 to 6 employees participating in the program.</p>
4	Equipment Use Expenses	2,250.00	750.00	3,000.00	This request is intended to include: vehicle

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5	Equipment Purchases	21,000.00	7,000.00	28,000.00	
6	Others	0.00	0.00	0.00	
7	Administrative Costs	1,092.00	364.00	1,456.00	
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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. ITEM 2 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- c. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
- d. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 3 – 9

ITEM 3 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

ITEM 4 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

ITEM 5 - Soil Impacts

ITEM 6 - Damage to Scenic Resources

ITEM 7 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 8 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the potential impacts and for any substantially adverse changes in the significance of historical or cultural resources and measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the impacts.

ITEM 9 - Indirect Significant Impacts

CEQA/NEPA Attachment